

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

**Non-Statutory Obviousness-type Double Patenting**

The pending claims are rejected based on the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over U.S. 6,879,341 in view of various secondary references.

Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer in respect of U.S. patent No. 6,879,341. Submission of this terminal disclaimer is believed to overcome the obviousness-type double patenting rejection, and place the claims in condition for allowance.

The Examiner's further consideration of the claims is earnestly sought. Applicant thanks the Examiner in advance for his further consideration, and looks forward to word of official communication in due course.

Very respectfully,



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